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SUBJECT: PRE-32ND UNGA CONSULTATIONS (INCLUDING RESUMED 31ST UNGA)

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1. SUMMARY: POLITICAL COUNSELOR MET WITH FONOFF DIRECTOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ENRIQUE GUZMAN AND PATRICIO CARRASCO (OF SAME OFFICE) SEPTEMBER 8 TO GO OVER TOPICS DISCUSSED REFTEL. GUZMAN MADE FOLLOWING GENERAL POINTS: (A) CHILE'S PRIMARY CONCERN WITH RESPECT TO UNGA IS IN HUMAN RIGHTS AREA. (B) ON ALMOST ALL ISSUES CHILE WILL EITHER SUPPORT US POSITIONS OR WILL ABSTAIN. (C) THERE MAY BE SOME DIVERGENCE BETWEEN US AND GOC POSITIONS ON THE MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA WHERE THE GOC MAY SOMETHIMES COME DOWN CLOSER TO THE ARAB OR BLACK AFRICAN POSITIONS THAN WE WOULD PREFER. END SUMMARY

2. MIDDLE EAST. GUZMAN PREFACED HIS COMMENTS BY SAYING THAT CHILE HAS ALWAYS VOTED FOR THE ARABS OR ABSTAINED ON MIDDLE EAST ISSUES. HE SAID THAT CHILE WOULD PROBABLY ABSTAIN ON ANY RESOLUTION REGARDING ALLEGED TORTURE OF ARAB PRISONERS AND THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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GOC HAS NO POSITION AT PRESENT SHOULD THERE BE AN ATTEMPT TO SET UP AN ARTIFICIAL TIMETABLE FOR NEGOTIATIONS. HE AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT CHILE WOULD OPPOSE ANY RESOLUTION WHICH SEEKS TO AMEND, CHANGE OR SUPERCEDE RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338. HE NOTED THAT CHILE ACCEPTS THE RIGHTS AND EXISTENCE OF THE PLO AND THAT IT WOULD SUPPORT ITS PRESENCE AT GENEVA (SHOULD

THAT ISSUE ARISE).

- 3. CYPRUS. CHILE SUPPORTS CONSIDERATION OF THE CYPRUS ISSUE IN THE SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE. GUZMAN AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD NOT BE TURKISH-CYPRIOT REPRESENTATION IN THE PLENARY.
- 4. SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES. CHILE SUPPORTS THE EFFORTS OF WESTERN POWERS TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO RHODESIA AND AND NAMIBIA PROBLEMS AND, OF COURSE, OPPOSES APARTHEID. GUZMAN IMPLIED TTHAT THE GOC WILL PROBABLY BACK THE US IN OPPOSING THE CUTTING OFF OF COMMUNICATIONS. WITH RESPECT TO APARTHEID, GUZMAN DID NOT RULE OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT CHILE MIGHT VOTE IN FAVOR OF A FINDING UNDER CHAPTER 7 THAT A THREAT TO THE PEACE EXISTS BASED SOLELY ON APARTHEID. ON NAMIBIA, GUZMAN NOTED THAT CHILE IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON NAMIBIA AND AS SUCH WOULD SUPPORT ALL EFFORTS UNDER WAY OR PROPOSED THAT HAVE WIDE BACKING.
- 5. DISARMAMENT. REFERRING TO PERU, GUZMAN NOTED THAT IT'S ONE THING TO BE IN FAVOR OF DISARMAMENT WHEN YOU HAVE ALL YOU NEED AND ANOTHER WHEN YOU ARE IN AN INFERIOR POSITION. THUS, CHILE MIGHT OPPOSE A RESOLUTION ON CONVENTIONAL ARMS CONFIDENTIAL

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TRANSFERS. NEVERTHELESS CHILE GENERALLY SUPPORTS DISARMAMENT EFFORTS AND HE, GUZMAN, WOULD NOT RULE OUT CHILE'S SUPPORT FOR THE NON-USE OF FORCE (NUP) RESOLUTION--BUT THEN HE ADDED THAT CHILE USUALLY FOLLOWS THE US LEAD ON SUCH MATTERS. GUZMAN AGREED THAT A CONSENSUS RESOLUTION ON CHEMICAL WEAPONS WOULD AGAIN BE DESIRABLE.

6. PUERTO RICO, GUAM, KOREA. CHILE HAS SUPPORTED THE US ON PUERTO RICO AND GUAM IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24. GUZMAN SAID THE GOC WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO. THE DISCUSSION OF KOREA WAS LIMITED TO GUZMAN'S OBSERVATION THAT CHILE WOULD SUPPORT THE US POSITION

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### SHOULD ISSUES ARISE.

7. HUMAN RIGHTS. GUZMAN HAD IDENTIFIED HUMAN RIGHTS AS A PRIMARY GOC CONCERN AT THE UNGA. UNSTATED BUT UNDERSTOOD IS THAT CHILE IS ACUTELY CONSCIOUS OF ITS OWN VULNERABILITIES IN THISREGARD AND THAT THE GOC DELEGATION WILL DEVOTE ITS ENERGIES, AS NECESSARY, TO WARDING OFF WHAT THE GOC VIEWS AS DISCRIMINATORY ALLEGATIONS AND ATTACKS. IN A MORE POSITIVE VEIN, CHILE WILL SUPPORT THE PROPOSALS TO ESTABLISH THE POST OF HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE MECHANISM TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM OF TORTURE. CHILE SUPPORTS THE DECADE AGAINST RACISM DESPITE THE RESIDUAL ZIONISM LINKAGE.

8. UN MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. GUZMAN NOTED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN RECENT HISTORY CHILE IS UP TO DATE ON ITS PAYMENTS TO ALL INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. HE SAID THAT THE GOC AGREES FULLY WITH US POSITIONS UNDER THIS HEADING.

9. ECONOMIC ISSUES. CHILE HAS NOT BEEN AN ACTIVE CONFIDENTIAL

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PARTICIPANT IN THE NORTH/SOUTH DIALOGUE IN RECENT YEARS AND ITS VOTE IN UNGA WILL BE DETERMINED PRIMARILY BY ANY CONSENSUS THAT MAY EXIST OR DEVELOP MANONG THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP. GUZMAN DID NOT HAVE SPECIFIC COMMENTS ON THE NEW INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY ON THE COMMON FUND. WE DID NOT RAISE THE OMNIBUS ASSESSMENT ITEM, BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS OR THE DEBT OR ENERGY SUB-ISSUES.

10. PRIOR EMBASSY DISCUSSION WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND OTHER ECONOMIC AGENCIES IN CONNECTION WITH UNGA ECONOMIC ISSUES HAVE FOCUSED PRIMARILY ON THE COMMON FUND. BECAUSE COPPER IS ONE OF TEN CORE COMMODITIES ELATED FOR INCLUSION IN A COMMON FUND ARRANGEMENT., AND BECAUSE COPPER ACCOUNTS FOR 55 PERCENT OF EXPORT REVENUES, THIS ISSUE TENDS TO DEEMPHASIZE OTHER UNGA ECONOMIC ISSUES IN CONVERSATIONS HERE. THE EMBASSY IS PREPARING A REPORT ON RECENT POLICY TRENDS WITHIN THE GOC IN REGARD TO A COMMODITY AGREEMENT FOR COPPER WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF A COMMON FUND.

11. GUZMAN CONCLUDED THE MEETING WITH A REQUEST TO GET IN TOUCH IMMEDIATELY SHOULD SERIOUS DIVERGENCIES DEVELOP BETWEEN US AND GOC POSITIONS AT THE 32ND UNGA.
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